



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Social Work

2SA47E Självständigt arbete/examensarbete för kandidatexamen, 15 högskolepoäng

Degree Project, 15 credits

### **Main field of study**

Social Work

### **Subject Group**

Social Work and Social Welfare

### **Level of classification**

First Level

### **Progression**

G2E

### **Date of Ratification**

Approved 2012-03-26

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### **Prerequisites**

For admission to the course, the following successfully completed courses are required: 1SA600 Social Work as Subject, Science and Profession 15 credits, 1SA605 Welfare State Organisation and Principles of Social Policy 15 credits, 1SA610 Social and Behavioural Science Perspectives in Social Work 15 credits, 1SA615 Communication, Approach and Management, 2SA606 Vulnerability, Conditions and Interventions on Individual, Group and Society Level 15 credits, 2SA610 Writing a Dissertation 7.5 credits, 2SA615 Evaluation in Social Work 7.5 credits, and 1JU600 Introduction to the Legal System and Social Law 15 credits.

## Objectives

Upon completion of the course the student shall:

- demonstrate the ability to critically study theory formations and analytical perspectives in the field of social sciences
- demonstrate the ability and skills for writing an academic paper by formulating, analysing and reflecting over a research question as well as responding to a research question linked to the subject of social work
- demonstrate the ability to analyse self-gathered empirical material by using the relevant theoretical perspective
- be able to link research questions within the field to ethical standpoints and in turn develop a professional and critically reflective attitude

## Content

- Completion of an independent academic project worth 15 credits, concerning the formulation of a research question relevant to the field of social work
- Defence of the individual project (as author) and analysis, review and evaluation of another paper (as reviewer)

## Type of Instruction

Supervision – individual, in pairs or in groups and examination seminar.

## Examination

The course is assessed with the grades Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG).

Assessment of the individual student presentations takes place through an assessment of the degree project during a seminar in which the student defends their work and serves as a student reviewer of another degree project.

To be awarded the grade of Pass (G) in the entire course, the student is required to demonstrate knowledge in accordance with the course objectives. Criteria for the grade of Pass with Distinction (VG) are stated in the course documents.

## Course Evaluation

A course evaluation will be conducted at the end of the course, and follows the department's web-based course evaluation template. The course evaluation will be collated and returned to the students by the course coordinator. The collated evaluation will be archived in accordance with departmental regulations.

## Required Reading and Additional Study Material

### **Required Reading**

Choice of the relevant literature shall take place in consultation with the supervisor and be linked to the individual project. (Approx. 2000 pages).